PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: O74947

Yasuhide ODASHIMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/550,270

Group Art Unit: 1793

Confirmation No.: 3137

Examiner: Kevin P. KERNS

Filed: July 6, 2006

For: HORIZONTALLY CONTINUOUSLY CAST ROD OF ALUMINUM ALLOY AND

METHOD AND EQUIPMENT FOR PRODUCING THE ROD

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement, dated January 28, 2009, applicants elect Group I, claims 1-18 for examination in the present application. This election is made without traverse.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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